

ENGLISH REPULSE TIBETANS.

CLASH IN AN EFFORT TO STOP BRITISH ADVANCE.

Fighting Begins After the British Had Disarmed Some of the Tibetans—Gen. Macdonald and Col. Younghusband in Danger—Natives Lose Heavily.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, April 1.—According to news despatches from Tuna there has been severe fighting between the British expedition under Gen. Macdonald and the Tibetans. The latter attacked the British.

There were two engagements, in which the Tibetans were repulsed with heavy loss. The Tibetan camp at Guru was captured.

A despatch to the Times from Tuna says that Col. Younghusband, escorted by nearly the full strength of Brig.-Gen. Macdonald's force, moved out at 8:20 o'clock in the morning. When the mission had proceeded about four miles one of the Lhasan Generals, with his suite, approached.

The two Englishmen and two Tibetans sat down in the middle of the plain and discussed the situation, the Tibetans demanding that the mission retire to Yatung. After fifteen minutes Col. Younghusband definitely refused to turn back, and announced his intention to go to Guru.

An exciting scene ensued. Then the Tibetans galloped back to their sangars and wall. According to the well-defined policy of the British, every effort was made, in clearing the intrenchments and sangars, to avoid a resort to force. The restraint of the Twenty-third Pioneer and the Eighth Gurkhas in moving the Tibetans from their fortifications without violence deserves the highest praise, but, in view of the advance and the language adopted by the Tibetans, it was decided that it was necessary to disarm them.

The force numbered about 1,500 men. After the Tibetans had been quietly induced to retire from their sangars to a wall built across the highway for the purpose of opposing the British advance, trouble was caused by the Tibetan officials, who encouraged their men to resist when the attempt was made to take their weapons from them. Several men, acting apparently on suggestion, fired their matchlocks point-blank at a ring of soldiers guarding them, and made a sudden attack with swords.

The situation was critical for a few moments. Gen. Macdonald and his staff were within ten yards of the advancing Tibetans, and Col. Younghusband was hardly further off. Revolvers and bayonets were used, and then under a rifle fire the Tibetans turned and ran, but not before there were several casualties in the British side.

Maj. Dunlop was wounded in the hand and Mr. Candler, the Daily Mail correspondent, was wounded in both hands and in the head. The retreating Tibetans lost heavily, but when Gen. Macdonald's force advanced to Guru further resistance was made and a few more casualties were suffered in driving the Tibetans from the village.

The whole affair was brought upon the Tibetans by themselves, as Col. Younghusband and Gen. Macdonald and the troops exercised the greatest possible forbearance and patience. Among the Tibetans killed was the Lhasan General, the military commandant of Phari, and Lata, the representative of the Golden Monastery, to whose influence and violent hostility a great part of the present difficulty is due.

The British casualties were ten or twelve. The loss of the Tibetans is estimated at 400 or 500. Every care is being taken of the Tibetan wounded, who are being treated by the British and by Tibetans from Guru.

It is a significant fact that three of the Tibetan General's escort were armed with rifles bearing the Russian imperial stamp. Russian ammunition was also found.

The Mail's despatch says that a reconnaissance in force of the Tibetan position at Guru was made. The Tibetan General from Lhasa advanced to confer with Col. Younghusband, the political agent accompanying the expedition. The mission returned to Yatung, and threatened to attack it if it proceeded. The correspondent adds that the troops have occupied a Tibetan position by some springs within firing range and are advancing toward Guru.

Recent dispatches show that the Tibetans have little realization of the destructive powers of modern military equipment. Most of their own weapons are primitive, consisting largely of matchlocks and bows and arrows. Some of their leaders, who visited the British camp at Chumbi before the final advance began, saw the Maxim guns and were allowed to operate them, but they were not impressed by them, regarding them as comical toys.

The Lamas, according to a British correspondent, have encouraged the hostile attitude of the tribesmen, who have frequently threatened to attack, while the British assurances that the mission is peaceful and does not intend harm and that it will only defend itself if attacked, have been disregarded.

The expedition is still exposed to the severe weather conditions, the native troops especially suffering extremely. The temperature day and night is many degrees below freezing. Sometimes it is below zero. The oil on the Maxim guns and rifles has sometimes frozen, rendering them incapable of use.

The neighborhood of Tuna is bleak. The country is covered with dust and ashes, with no sign of vegetation. A bitter wind usually arises in the morning and blows all day, driving clouds of dust before it.

Hamburg Line Across the Pacific.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
HAMBURG, March 31.—It is said here that the Hamburg-American Line steamers Arabia, Aragonia, Nicomedia and Numanita have been chartered by the Portland and Asiatic Steamship Company to run between China and Japan and Portland, Ore., under the Hamburg-American flag.

YOUNG HEROINE AT A FIRE.

Eighteen-Year-Old Wakes an Old Man and Helps Him to Safety.

At a smoky fire that drove the tenants from the four-story building at 40 Vandewater street about 10 o'clock last night, an eighteen-year-old girl, 19, saved a sleeping fellow tenant and got her whole family down the fire escapes to the ground.

The fire started in the second story, where a Mrs. Connor lives. She was at church and the children out, but the smoke from a feather bed warned the tenants.

Harry Tounney, a neighbor, ran to the third story, occupied by Mrs. Crowley, and grabbed up her baby, carrying it down the fire escape. Jack Enright and John Garven, two other neighbors, ran in and helped the rest of the family down.

Katie Redmond, on the top floor, opened her hall door, only to be driven back by a cloud. She helped her mother down the fire escape with the baby, and then suddenly remembered James Miller, an old man who roomed in the rear of the top floor.

She hurried to his room, already full of smoke, and found him fast asleep. She aroused him, but Miller was so bewildered that the girl had to lead him to the fire escape and help him descend.

The fire was confined to the second floor and did little damage. The water so weakened the old building that a fireman broke through the ceiling of the third floor. He pulled himself out so that those below saw only two kicking legs.

NATIONAL DELEGATES CHOSEN.

Philadelphia Democrats Name Their Representatives—No Instructions.

PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—A meeting of delegates to the Democratic State convention was held to-night, and the representatives from the several congressional districts agreed upon the candidates to be supported for delegates to the Democratic national convention. This virtually means their election as delegates.

Following are the national delegates unanimously chosen this evening for the Philadelphia Congress districts: First district—Hugh Moore, Francis F. Kane; Second district—John Cadwalader, Jr., William Bennett; Third—Albert H. Ladd, John J. Green; Fourth—Emanuel Furth, Thomas J. Gavanagh; Fifth—Charles P. Donnelly, F. K. Borie; Sixth—E. F. Bennis and B. Gordon Bromley.

No instructions were given, and unless Col. Guffey shall change his programme no instructions will be given by the Democratic State convention, although it is proposed to enforce the unit rule. That is evidence of a movement to advocate instructing the delegates for Judge Parker of New York, but Col. Guffey would prefer to have the delegation go to St. Louis unhampered.

POLICE CHIEF IN A QUEER FIX.

He Must Violate Court Order or a Statute and Knows Not What to Do.

BOSTON, March 31.—Chief Shaw of the State police is wondering whether it is safer to violate the United States laws or to disobey the order of a Massachusetts court. Judge Bosson of the Chelsea police court has condemned and ordered to be destroyed \$40 in gold United States money. If the chief follows the instruction of Judge Bosson he may be liable under a statute which prohibits the destruction of United States legal tender. On the other hand, if he does not do as Judge Bosson directs, he is liable to contempt of court proceedings.

In June last the State police raided gambling houses, seizing among other things some gambling machines. The paraphernalia were carried off by the police, and after a hearing by Judge Bosson were condemned and ordered destroyed. It is probable that Chief Shaw will turn the money over to the State Treasurer with the explanation that it was seized in a raid ordered to be destroyed. But that the United States law does not allow him to carry out the Court's orders.

DIETRICH GETS REVENGE.

The District Attorney Who Had Him Indicted Is to Be Removed.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Senators Dietrich and Miller of Nebraska have settled their differences over the appointment of a successor to William S. Sumners as United States District Attorney for that State. For about a year the Senators have been at loggerheads in regard to this matter, but a compromise has been made by which neither of the original candidates is to be appointed. The new District Attorney will be Irving T. Baxter of Omaha, a lawyer of note who has not been mixed up in the Nebraska factional troubles. The nomination may be sent to the Senate to-morrow.

This appointment is equivalent to a summary dismissal of District Attorney Sumners, who has been bitterly attacked because of the assertion that he was persecuting Senator Dietrich in securing the Senate's indictment by the Grand Jury on charges of accepting money for the appointment of a postmaster.

MANY OFFICIALS INDICTED.

Mayor, Aldermen and Judges Are Charged With Permitting Gambling.

ARDMORE, I. T., March 31.—The United States Grand Jury at Chickasha has returned indictments against the Mayor, Police Judge, Chief of Police and eight Aldermen, together with one gaming house keeper, charging them with conspiracy to permit gaming and gaming houses.

The Mayor and the Aldermen surrendered to the United States authorities yesterday and gave a bond for their appearance. The offence charged is a felony.

ROMANCE OF SPRAINED ANKLE.

How Miss I. F. Smith Slipped into the Arms of Richard J. Weir.

Uncle Sam's orders to Richard J. Weir, an electrician of 221 Union street, Brooklyn, brought to light yesterday a romance that might have remained hidden long had it not been for the "exigencies of Government service and the necessity for cable connection with the Philippines." Weir was married five weeks ago in the "Little Church Around the Corner" to Miss Ida Frances Smith. He met her for the first time in January in this borough. She slipped on an icy pavement and sprained her ankle. Weir picked her up and carried her into a drug store. The ankle was dressed by the druggist, and Weir escorted the young woman to her home. Weir is ordered to the Philippines to assist in laying the new cable. His term of enlistment will expire in November. In the intervening months Mrs. Weir will live with her mother.

CENTURY PLAYERS' LIGHT OUT.

MAYBE THEY'LL GIVE HER ART ON THE ROAD, BUT NO MORE HERE.

No Performance Last Night: Two Matinees Given Up—On Account of Florence Kahn's Throat It's Said—Demand in the Company to See Some Real Money.

Sydney Rosenfeld's Century Players ceased yesterday to give art theatricals at the Princess Theatre. There was to have been a professional matinee of Ibsen's "Rommersholm" yesterday, and many actors went to the theatre to witness one, but when they arrived they were informed that it had been called off. The reason given to the disappointed ones was that Florence Kahn, who played Rebecca West in the Ibsen drama, was too hoarse to talk.

The regular midweek matinee at the Princess takes place on Thursday. It was decided early in the week to give the regular matinee this week on Wednesday, so that yesterday afternoon would be free for the profession. Like yesterday's matinee Wednesday's did not take place. The people who went to the theatre on Wednesday waited some time for the curtain to rise. When they got weary those who had paid for their tickets demanded and got their money back. The deadheads waited around, but saw nothing for their wasted time.

Back on the stage several of the Century Players were in mutiny. Theodore Roberts, one of the leading members of the company, made a loud demand to see some real money. Mr. Roberts let it be known that he was dissatisfied with the way things were going. Other members of the company felt the same way, so the afternoon performance was postponed.

On Wednesday night some of the players were still in a rebellious mood, but Mr. Rosenfeld was around and his presence had a soothing effect until the beginning of the third act. Then William Morris began to kick. He gave voice to the same sentiments that Mr. Roberts had early in the day. Mr. Morris finished out the play on receiving a check for some money he needed, and the performance ended without more trouble.

Sudermann's "The Battle of the Butterflies" was to have been produced at the Princess last night, but early in the day word was sent out that the production was not quite ready, and that "Rommersholm" would be continued for the remainder of the week. Some people started out to see the Ibsen play last night, but when they reached the Princess they couldn't find any sign of life there. There were many inquiries for Mr. Rosenfeld, but he was not about. His wife was asked over the telephone why the Century Players had suspended.

"The only reason for suspending is that Miss Kahn lost her voice," said Mrs. Rosenfeld. "Besides, to-morrow is Good Friday, and there would not have been a performance anyway. You know the company was to leave the Princess on Saturday night. They will probably open at some place on the road a week from next Monday."

The Century Players were to leave the Princess on Saturday night. They opened three weeks ago in "Much Ado About Nothing." Previous to that the company spent the week on the road. Before they began to play, Mr. Rosenfeld kept people interested telling of the various theatres he had engaged for his enterprise.

HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS STRIKE.

Many Boys and Girls Go Out—Some of the Boys and the Girls Penitent.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., March 31.—There is considerable excitement and talk here to-day over a strike in the High School participated in by about forty boys and a dozen girls. Superintendent of Public Schools McConnell had been asked by the young men for an Easter vacation, which he refused to grant. The boys circulated petitions asking that their request be granted and presented the petitions to the Board of Education at its meeting on Tuesday evening. The board refused to interfere.

Yesterday the strikers shortly before the afternoon session opened left the school building and afterward marched down Grand street to Railroad avenue. They created so much disturbance in front of one merchant's store that the police dispersed them.

Twenty of the boys, realizing the enormity of their offence, had gone to the Superintendent of Schools and asked for reinstatement. The girls spent the afternoon at the house of one of their number, whose parents were away for the day. They all returned to the High School building later in the afternoon and apologized for their conduct. They were very penitent.

It is understood that the young men who refused to return and apologize to the superintendent will be suspended from the High School for three months, any that the four or five ringleaders will, it is said, be expelled.

CRUISER DENVER FAILS AGAIN.

New Ship Is Unable to Reach the Required Speed of 17 Knots.

BOSTON, March 31.—The new cruiser Denver made a second attempt to come up to the Government speed requirements over the Cape Ann course to-day, and again failed to make the required average of 17 knots an hour for four hours. Her average speed to-day, without tidal corrections, was 16.70 knots an hour, and it is not believed that the tide retarded her to any extent.

The Denver got her first trial last fall and averaged only 16.28 knots. Since then new boilers have been put in and the machinery overhauled. According to the contract, the builders were to lose \$50,000 if she did not average 17 knots. The cruiser was constructed by the Neafie & Levy Shipbuilding Company of Philadelphia.

Capt. Train of the naval trial board said to-night that the Government would undoubtedly accept the Denver, but that the contractors would have to pay \$50,000 out of the price because of her failure to come within the contract speed.

NAVIGATORS OF BUENOS AIRES IN PERU.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Lima, Peru, is stricken with an Asiatic plague, according to a telegram from Mr. Dudley, the United States Minister there, received at the State Department to-day. There were thirty-two cases last week and four deaths yesterday. The State Department has notified the Marine Hospital and the Public Health Service of Mr. Dudley's information.

WOMAN'S SUICIDE FROM BOAT.

Left Only a Black Picture Hat With Plumes to Tell Who She Was.

A woman, apparently about 20 years old, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by jumping from the ferryboat John Englis into the East River.

The woman, wearing a blue tailor made gown and a black hat with white plumes, boarded the ferryboat at Broadway, Brooklyn, at 5 o'clock. As the boat passed Thirty-first street on the way to her slip at East Forty-second street, she walked out on the stern of the boat.

John Staveley, one of the deckhands, told the young woman that she would catch cold and advised her to go into the cabin.

"Oh, that's all right," she replied. "I want to get a little fresh air."

As Staveley walked away from the young woman he saw her running toward the railing, hat in hand. He darted after her, but she threw the hat in his face and jumped. The ferryboat slowed up, but the body was not seen. The hat was taken for the East Thirty-fifth street station. The police hope that it will lead to the identification of the suicide.

ODELL SHIPYARD INQUIRY.

Report That Justice Herick Will Come Down for Criminal Proceedings.

Well informed people said yesterday that Gov. Odell had declared within the last forty-eight hours that he was to appoint Supreme Court Justice D. Cady Herick of Albany to come to New York, to inspect a special Grand Jury and put on trial certain officials of the original United States Shipbuilding bond syndicate.

THE SUN announced a week ago that there were witnesses eager to testify at a trial of this cause for the purpose, if nothing more, of describing Gov. Odell's anger and chagrin when he required the refund of more than \$200,000 of the original underwriting, which in the end netted him a total loss of \$128,000.

An eminent authority on these intricate financial-political matters said yesterday: "The newspapers announce that the Governor has abandoned his attempt to obtain a legislative investigation of Shipbuilding affairs, but that he admits having received District Attorney Jerome on the subject."

"It shows a poor appreciation on the part of the Governor of Mr. Jerome's intelligence if he imagines that he can induce the District Attorney to use the power of his office to collect the Governor's losses as an underwriter."

BOTKIN JURY RETAINED.

Judge Continues the Murder Trial in Spite of the Bribery Allegations.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—The unexpected happened to-day in the Botkin murder trial when Judge Cook decided that the case should go on with the present jury. He made that announcement after Mrs. Botkin had risen and declared:

"Independent of any advice or suggestion of my attorney, I demand a verdict from this jury."

George A. Knight, counsel for Mrs. Botkin, withdrew his motion for the discharge of the jury, and the Judge then declared that the trial would proceed, but that the jury would be kept under surveillance. Judge Cook admonished the jury to draw no conclusions from his act in putting them under surveillance. The trial then proceeded, and at noon the prosecution rested.

The police will make a thorough investigation of the alleged bribery, and when the trial is ended Judge Cook will take up their evidence and endeavor to convict the guilty parties.

\$300 APIECE FOR THREE DRINKS.

Woman Gets a Verdict Against Saloon-keeper for Selling to Her Husband.

DALLAS, Tex., March 31.—For the sale of three drinks of whiskey to the husband of a protesting wife, a jury has at Waxahachie, Tex., adjudged that J. J. Faulkner must pay to Mrs. Beulah Cassidy the sum of \$300 for each drink sold in spite of her protest.

Faulkner was in the saloon business up to the time local option went into effect. The plaintiff alleged in her petition that she served five separate and distinct sales were made to her husband, and she sued to recover on the saloonkeeper's bond the sum of \$300 on each count. The jury was convinced that Faulkner sold three of the drinks, but was in doubt about the other two.

COL. KLINE WINS.

Gov. Odell Disapproves Gen. McLeese's Application for the State Street.

Gov. Odell yesterday returned with his disapproval the application of Gen. James McLeese, commanding the Second Brigade of the New York National Guard, asking for the retirement from the State service of Col. Adolph L. Kline, commandant of the Fourteenth Regiment, Brooklyn.

The action of the Governor is the outcome of a long fight to remove Col. Kline from his command, growing out of the disapproval of Gen. McLeese of the manner in which the affairs of the "Fighting" Fourteenth have been administered for several years.

Under the finding of the Governor Col. Kline is now permitted to order an election for Lieutenant-Colonel, which it is understood will be done immediately.

ENOINED FROM MAKING LOVE.

Wife of a Toledo Man Is Ordered to Leave Her Husband Alone.

TOLEDO, Ohio, March 31.—Mrs. Daisy W. Tyler was today enjoined by Judge Tyler from "assiduously making love" to her husband, Jacob G. Gerald. She is enjoined from "calling him by telephone, following him, seizing his clothing, holding on to him in public, hectoring him, pestering and hindering him."

The couple were married in November, 1902, but Gerald says that his wife abandoned him the following August. He says that on Sept. 18 of last year, at the Union Depot, she insisted on hugging and caressing him in spite of all he could do. This week, he says, she tried to hug him in the street. He got away and appealed to Judge Conanger.

A SLAP AT HEINZE.

Amalgamated Is Allowed to Inspect Rarus and Johnston Mines at Any Time.

BORRIS, Mont., March 31.—In order to prevent future violation of the court's injunction orders and to stop further depredations on ground not belonging to Heinze interests, Judge Beatty to-day granted a perpetual inspection order to the Amalgamated, under which they can at all times enter the workings of the Rarus and Johnston mines and see what work is being done.

The Heinze attorneys led a hard fight against such an order, but Judge Beatty concluded that the past actions of the Heinze people justified him in making it.

THE IDEAL HIGH-BALL-UTTER.

Is a Real Greatness.—Adv.

NOISE, A Food Problem.

The First to announce prices. Explanation. HEALTH FOOD CO.—Adv.

JUGGLING WITH JEROME BILL.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE VOTED TO REPORT IT FAVORABLY.

But Chairman Phillips Failed to Do So—He Says He Will Report It To-day, and That Means That It Will Go at Once into the Possession of the Committee on Rules.

ALBANY, March 31.—Some strange juggling was done with the Downing anti-Canfield bill by Chairman Phillips of the Assembly Codes Committee to-day. There is only one possible conclusion to be drawn from his action, and that is that he did not purpose to have the bill get into possession of the House.

At the morning Mr. Phillips's committee voted to report the bill introduced by Senator Downing and passed by the Senate a week ago last Tuesday. Under the rules the chairman should have made a report at once to the Assembly. This it was reported he had done. But Mr. Phillips's clerk must have been very lucky, for no report was made to the Assembly to-day.

Mr. Phillips says the report will be made to-morrow, but that means nothing, for it will go at once into the possession of the Committee on Rules, dominated by Speaker Nixon. And if the bill ever gets on a calendar in the Assembly for consideration it will be one of the biggest surprises ever known in legislative annals, and if it remains in possession of the Rules Committee every one will understand why it is kept there and what influence put it there.

"The Codes Committee voted unanimously to report the bill," said Mr. Phillips. "This, of course, does not mean that all the members are pledged to vote for it. I still have grave doubts of its merits, and also have misgivings of the propriety of such legislation. There were a number of members of the committee who voted to report the bill who are opposed to it."

There are those who disagree with Mr. Phillips, and they say that the vote to report the bill was not unanimous, that it was carried by a vote of 8 to 5.

Had the bill been reported as the committee ordered to-day it would have been on to-morrow's calendar, and that would have meant that the attendance to-morrow will be no larger than is usual on Friday, it has been a custom that all undispensed of bills that are on a Friday calendar shall go on the succeeding Monday night calendar. Even the Rules Committee in past years has recognized such a course as being right.

But it is known that the friends of Canfield have based their entire hope of being able to kill the bill in the Assembly Committee on Rules. They know who is at the head of the committee, and they know how measures that are not desired by influential persons are kept in that committee.

In addition to the Speaker, the members of the Rules Committee are Messrs. Rogers of Binghamton, Bedell of Orange (Gov. Odell's personal representative) and Munroe of Tompkins, Republicans, and Palmer of Schoharie and McKeown of Brooklyn, Democrats.

CALM UNDER PARKHURST'S FLING.

Jerome Makes No Reply to an Insinuation That He's Protecting a Gambler.

District Attorney Jerome was unmoved yesterday by a published interview in which Dr. Parkhurst was quoted as inquiring why Mr. Jerome was so bitter against Canfield and following that query with this:

"Is there not some one gambler, one whom he forgot to name yesterday, who would be benefited by the removal of Canfield as a competitor in the gambling business?"

To all of which Mr. Jerome said: "I never comment upon any utterance of Dr. Parkhurst."

Mr. Jerome said that his code amendment regarding gambling witnesses had been tampered with by the insertion of the words "to take effect Sept. 1," between the time when the printed bill was received and the time when it reached the engrossing clerk.

"Whoever did that was a bungler," said an ex-Assemblyman. "Besides, there is no real effort to beat the bill now. What the gamblers hope is either a veto by the Governor or another knock out for the bill from the Court of Appeals."

Mr. Jerome yesterday supplemented his statement made in Albany that a man named Feldstein had lost \$500,000 in Canfield's, and had eventually settled for \$10,000, by declaring that when A. Popkin, a Broadway clothes dealer and well known bankrupt, his schedule of losses showed that most of his money had been lost in gambling.

WOMAN BLACKMAILER CAUGHT.

Actor and His Wife Leave Boston After Merchant Has Them Arrested.

BOSTON, March 31.—Tilly Allenheisch, the wife of George Harcourt, an actor, was deported with her husband last night on the complaint of a prominent State street broker, who charged her with attempting to blackmail him. The acquaintance of the business man and the woman, according to her story, was made in front of a store window.

The broker, she says, stopped long enough to present his card and make an appointment with his office. A meeting followed, and there the woman claimed to have been grossly insulted. She was willing to settle for \$500, and her husband, who posed as a reporter, acted as a go-between.

An appointment was made for a settlement yesterday afternoon in a hotel, and the broker consulted the police, who detailed Inspector McGill to keep the appointment.

The couple were taken to headquarters, where the woman weakened. The broker, not desiring any notoriety, acknowledged satisfaction on the condition that the woman surrender the note for \$500 he had given her and leave the city.

She was very willing to get off so easily, and left town with her husband late last night.

STRIKE CLOSES IOWA MINES.

Operators Refuse Demand That the Pay of Unskilled Men Be Raised.

DES MOINES, March 31.—The Iowa miners and operators have failed to agree, and to-day 19,500 miners struck. Every mine in Iowa is closed. Unable to agree to an arbitration of their differences, the miners and operators split in joint conference.

The split resulted from a refusal on the part of the operators to raise the wages of the unskilled men and to lower the price of blasting powder.

GEN. MIASHCHENKO JUST ESCAPED.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ROME, March 31.—A telegram from Seoul says the Russians retired in disorder from Chongju, leaving many rifles and sabres behind them. Gen. Miashchenko narrowly escaped capture.

WORLD'S AUTO RECORDS.

New Figures at Nice for Mile and Kilometer With Standing Start.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
NICE, March 31.—In the automobile speed trials here to-day, M. Rigolly, driving a 100-horse-power Gobronville car, which was built for the international cup race, covered a mile, standing start, in 53.3-5 seconds.

In the kilometre race for the Rothchild cup, with a flying start, he covered the distance in 25.2 seconds. Both are world's records.

After the races Princess Lubovinska's car ran over and killed a